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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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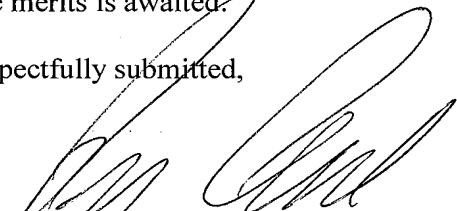
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 3, 2008, Applicant hereby elects the Species III, Embodiment 3, namely, Figures 21 and 22, for prosecution in the subject application. Claims 17, 18, 23, 27, 34-36, 38 and 39 are readable on the elected species.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the non-elected subject matter and/or to receive consideration of claims to additional species as provided by 37 CFR 1.141, upon allowance of any claim that is generic.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

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